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PACIFIC COAST NEWS

Important Information Gathered Around the Coast.

ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST

A Summary of Late Events That Are Boiled Down to Suit our Busy Readers

REDDING—The dead body of Jack Vivian, a miner, was found in his cabin on Spring Creek near Iron Mountain. His death is attributed to alcoholism and exposure.

SAN FRANCISCO—Resolutions of sympathy with the Boers were adopted at a mass meeting held in this city. The attendance was large and much enthusiasm was manifested.

VICTORIA, B. C.—Passengers on the steamer Tees, which arrived from Alaska, report the drowning of a Mrs. Dumberton, another woman, and three unknown men. They were carried under the ice in a small boat.

SACRAMENTO—E. J. Cole, who was convicted of forgery at his trial last week, was sentenced by Judge Hart to serve eight years at the state prison at Folsom. Cole went into a shoe store in this city and bought a pair of shoes, offering in payment a check purporting to be signed by S. B. Smith. This check was a forgery.

A man owning a piece of land near Stockton has succeeded in producing a crop of the Mexican "coffee bean," which is extensively used in the adulteration of coffee in hotels and restaurants. If the cultivation of that bean should become general in California, the man who goes out for a 15-cent meal will have "grounds" for complaint.

VANCOUVER, B. C.—Chief of Police Stewart of Vancouver believes that he has the murderer of Millionaire Snell of Chicago in jail. Chief Stewart has been shadowing his suspect since shortly after the murder, ten years ago. The man called himself Graham, but Chief Stewart believes his man is George Tascott, who, in 1889, shot and killed one of Chicago's best-known capitalists.

The raisin growers of the irrigation belt, composed of the counties of Merced, Madera, Fresno, Kern and Tulare, have had a good year. The exports of the Raisin Growers' Association for the season, so far, have been 1566 carloads of ten tons each. The export for the month ending with November 14 was 1025 cars, or 20,500,000 pounds in all, the least shipment being on the 11th inst., when 21 carloads were shipped; and the largest was on the 25th of October, when the shipment reached 74 cars, all bound for eastern points.

The Portland Oregonian states that the horse-meat cannery at Linnton has been shut down for the season, after having slaughtered over 4000 horses (mostly cayuse ponies) for the year. It has paid no direct profit, owing to the prejudice against American meats which exists in France and Germany, but its good effects are perceptible in ridding the pasture lands in Eastern Oregon of bands of worthless horses, and leaving the range to be used for fattening more cattle and sheep. The French consume a great deal of this meat, and it is not difficult to imagine a Parisian bill of fare with such items as "Ragout de Joe Patchen aux herbes," or "Salmi de Hanover, aux champignons." Oregon is certainly maintaining her reputation as a food-producing state.

LIBRARY FOR TUCSON.

Andrew Carnegie's Handsome Offer Accepted.

TUCSON, Ariz.—Andrew Carnegie's offer of \$25,000 for a public library building, promoted by G. W. Pittcock, the Arizona newspaper writer, has been accepted, the City Council tonight voting a site on Military Plaza and \$2000 annually for the maintenance of the library building.

EIGHT CASES IN ALL.

Forty-Eighth Regiment Is Having a Hard Time of It.

SAN FRANCISCO—Three additional cases of smallpox have been discovered among the members of the Forty-eighth (colored) regiment, now in quarantine at Angel Island, making eight cases in all there. One of the four suspects, who was detained at the Presidio, is also down with the disease, swelling the list at that station to four. All of the cases are mild.

SCARED BY "CURLY BEARS."

STOCKTON—Patrick Harrington of Colfax was brought to the Stockton state hospital from Sacramento by Deputy Sheriff Hinters of Sacramento. Harrington is 26 years of age, and it is said that his insanity was caused

by initiation into the Native Sons' organization known as the "Curly Bears."

He tried to commit suicide a few days ago in Sacramento, where he was under treatment, with his sister's hatpin. He thinks he is going to be murdered.

DEADLY TUBERCLES.

Young Man's Death of Great Interest to Medicos.

SAN JOSE—A death occurred at Gilroy recently, which is destined to attract wide attention from the medical profession. The case also presents important facts for the general public. The death was that of Elmer Rives, a man 29 years of age. Another man, Burt Haly, is at the point of death at Gilroy with the same disease—tuberculosis.

A couple of years ago the two men, as hale and hearty as any in the valley, were engaged to kill and dissect cattle affected with tuberculosis, condemned by Dr. Spencer, at that time veterinary inspector. There is little doubt that the germs from the affected cattle spread to the men, as in neither family has there ever been the least taint of consumption. Dr. Clark of Gilroy, who has attended Rives, says there can be no doubt that he contracted the consumption from the cattle which were killed.

When the tuberculin test was being applied in this county, there was much objection. Where cattle were condemned by the veterinarian after the test, they were always killed and inspected if the test said the animal was diseased. The men who killed the cattle would immediately cut them open to see if the tubercles were there.

Dr. Clark says that while the men were engaged over the steaming carcasses the fumes arose and inoculated them with the dread malady. Haly is still alive, but low. Rives was an athlete with no trace of any disease, weighing about two hundred pounds, and full six feet tall. He was one of the most popular and widely known young men of the south end of the county. His funeral will be held tomorrow at Gilroy.

The disease appeared in both men about seven months ago, and progressed rapidly. It is said there is no hope for Haly's recovery.

DEFENDS FUNSTON.

McKinnon Denies Desecration.

SAN FRANCISCO—Rev. Father McKinnon, chaplain in the United States army, defends General Funston and Colonel Metcalf from the charges that have been brought against them. He says that churches in the Philippines were not desecrated by American troops, but by insurgents and Chinese. The priest is positive that Colonel Metcalf did not shoot a prisoner in cold blood, as has been alleged.

In reply to General Funston's challenge to prove the truth of his assertions regarding the looting of Calocan church, the San Francisco Monitor in a card from its editor, T. A. Connelly, invites the general to bring a libel suit, promising to donate \$2000 to the Red Cross Society if he wins.

FROM FOREIGN LANDS.

The preliminary trial of the turbine torpedo boat Viper took place and was successful. She developed a speed of thirty-two knots. The official trials will follow in a few days, says a cablegram from London.

BERLIN—An official report received by the government acknowledges the excellent work of the American trichinae inspection carried out in Chicago and elsewhere, and declares the charges as to the unreliability of the inspection are not borne out by facts.

The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Mail says preparations are being made to give the United States warships a hearty reception, in order to emphasize the appreciation by the colonists of the meaning of an American naval display in South African waters at the present juncture.

The German Ambassador, Dr. Von Holleben, said at Washington that the Samoan settlement meets with very general approval. Germany's policy in China has always been favorable to the "open door." He said the German port of Kiau Chau has its doors open to the commerce of the world, without favor or discrimination.

HAVING A GOOD TIME.

WINDSOR, Eng.—Emperor William, the Prince of Wales, the Duke of Connaught and Prince Christian of Schleswig-Holstein shot in the great park near Cumberland lodge, where they lunched. The two young German princes visited the houses of parliament in London during the forenoon. There was strictly a family dinner, but the queen was not present, owing to the death of the Princess of Leiningen. For the same reason the military band will not play at the castle during the remainder of the imperial visit.

Los Angeles firms are importing salt from Ensenada.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

The News of the State, Nation and the World

MOST INTERESTING HAPPENINGS

From Everywhere will be found in this Column. Items that interest Everybody

NEW YORK—The jury in the case of Rosa Kahn, against her father, Isaac M. Kahn, whom she sued for \$25,000 on the charge of assault, returned a verdict in favor of the defendant.

John J. Ingalls says that woman "is man's natural enemy." Not always; sometimes the lady is his "friend," and thereby gets the poor devil into all kinds of trouble.

SAN FRANCISCO—The body of Martin Kruse, an aged bartender, was found in his room. He retired in an intoxicated condition last night, and failed to turn off the gas completely. Death was doubtless accidental.

NEW YORK—A solid silver loving cup was received at Tompkinsville for Rear-Admiral Winfield Scott Schley. It came from the citizens of St. Louis and was sent out to the admiral's flagship, the Chicago, which is lying off the government anchorage.

BAKER CITY, Ore.—As a result of a quarrel over a card game, Al Lossen, a colored bootblack, shot and killed Hughes Younger, a gambler. Lossen secured a shotgun, and as Younger was entering the St. Lawrence restaurant, the negro shot him through the heart. Younger walked into a saloon and fell dead. Lossen gave himself up.

WASHINGTON—The President will ask the incoming congress to pass an act retiring General Shafter with the rank of brigadier-general. This purpose of the President is the explanation of the retention of General Shafter in the volunteer service up to this time, it being felt that his chances would be brightened by his retention in the active army until Congress has an opportunity to act.

SAN FRANCISCO—George Dutcher, proprietor of a sausage factory, who, with Charles Hogg and Louis Loebach was arraigned, charged with having sold horseflesh for food, pleaded guilty. He said he found horseflesh cheaper than beef and therefore used it in making sausages. He declared, however, that he had sold none of these sausages in this city, but had shipped them all to the country, and that his patrons had not complained. He was ordered to appear for sentence.

Brigham H. Roberts, representative elect from Utah has reached Washington. He expects to take his seat in the house, and says he does not believe that the body will be influenced by the protests against his doing so, for the reason that the question of his eligibility is a matter clearly outside the sphere of the churches, and because the whole agitation against him is based upon misrepresentation of facts and absolute falsehood. He also claims the house is without authority to declare his seat vacant.

At Lincoln, Neb., proceedings were begun in the supreme court by Attorney-General Smith against the Standard Oil company. The court is asked to deny the company the right of doing business in Nebraska, on the ground that it is a trust, and that it is engaged in a conspiracy against trade and jurisdiction, and is in the nature of quo warranto proceedings. The petition names twenty companies that are declared members of the Standard Oil trust. It is averred that the purpose and effect of the trust is to create and carry out restrictions in trade; to increase or diminish as it may see fit the price of petroleum and its product, and to prevent competition in its manufacture.

The one hundred and thirty-first annual banquet of the New York Chamber of Commerce was held at Delmonico's and brought together 500 representative business men of New York City. There were also a number of distinguished guests. President Jones proposed the toast, "The President of the United States," and a toast to Queen Victoria. Governor Roosevelt spoke to the toast, "The State of New York." Thomas B. Reed, ex-speaker of the house of representatives, was warmly received. President Hadley of Yale spoke on "Education for modern business responsibilities." White-law Reid spoke to the toast, "The Existing Friendly Relations Between the United States and Great Britain." A toast was drunk standing to the army and navy. It was cheered enthusiastically. There was no response to it, General Merritt having retired.

WOMEN'S NEW FIELD.

WILKESBARRE, Pa.—The rioting of the wives and other feminine relatives of the striking miners at Nanticoke was resumed there, hundreds marching the streets. One of them was arrested by throwing pepper into

the eyes of a deputy. A number of miners working about the collieries were captured by them and the deputies were forced to charge the line of women in order to recapture the men. The women gave battle to the deputies and a number of hard blows were exchanged.

MC COY'S BAD FORM.

NEW YORK—"Kid McCoy" acknowledges that he has broken down physically, but claims he will soon be able to resume training and fighting. In a telegram to a local newspaper from White Plains today he said: "I have broken down in training, but I will be all right shortly, I think."

It is now regarded as certain he will be unable to keep his contract to fight Maher December 11, and it is thought possible he may be unable to again enter the ring. The default to Maher will cost McCoy the \$1000 which he posted. McCoy is said to have asked his manager, Brady, to arrange for a postponement, but as Maher has already agreed to one postponement, it is improbable that he will consent to another.

THE DEADLY UMBRELLA.

CHICAGO—John Tates, a waiter in a restaurant at No. 61 West Madison street, was stabbed fatally with an umbrella. A customer got into a dispute with Tates over the price of a meal, and they came to blows. The customer raised his umbrella to protect himself. Tates rushed forward, and the customer jabbed it into his breast. The sharp-pointed steel penetrated the waiter's lung. The man was arrested. He gave his name as Arthur Blessing, and said he staid in self-defense. Tates is at the county hospital, where it is said he will die.

This is the second time in less than a year that an umbrella has been brought into play as a deadly weapon in this city. Last spring Sarah Bernhard was stabbed with one by Tillie Wolf, the victim dying almost instantly.

FINAL DEEDS FILED IN DEWEY HOME TRANSFER.

WASHINGTON—The deed transferring the Dewey home from Mr. and Mrs. Dewey to the admiral's son was recorded in the office of the registrar of deeds. During life the home is preserved to the admiral and his wife in the following provision:

Subject, however, to this express reservation, that the parties of the first part do hereby expressly reserve to themselves and to each of them during and for the period of their natural lives respectively a life interest in and to the premises herein described, which life interest in case of death of either party to revert to the other."

The instrument bears date of November 14, the same date borne by the deeds from Admiral Dewey to Lieutenant Crawford, and from Lieutenant Crawford to Mrs. Dewey.

THREAT OF A CUBAN.

HAVANA—General Collazo, in an editorial in the Cubano today, says:

"We are only waiting for the decision of the United States congress upon which depends the decision that Cuba herself will reach if the language of the Americans is not clear, the horizon of Cuba will darken with tremendous protests, which will rise from all parts of the island. Cubans are resolved. Their words must be taken as mere boasts. They will not abandon a solitary right. They will not tolerate the calm, diplomatic cheating of Washington."

"A worthy people cannot tolerate foreign interference in their private affairs, even when that interference is in the name of altruism. The Cubans do not owe the Americans as much now as they formerly did. Perhaps tomorrow they will have reason to deny that they owe them anything at all."

CHARGE AGAINST METCALF.

SAN FRANCISCO—The charge that Colonel Wilcox S. Metcalf of the Twentieth Kansas regiment deliberately killed an unarmed Filipino prisoner during the Philippine campaign, has resulted in the disclosure that the two surrendered Filipinos were shot by Kansas men at Calocan; that a war department investigation was held, and that the men involved, including former Captains Bishop of Co. M and Flanders of Co. I, were exculpated from blame.

General Frederick Funston, who has been a staunch defender of Colonel Metcalf, reiterates his charge that five officers of the Kansas regiment were guilty of cowardice during the fighting from Manila to San Fernando.

From Topeka, Kan., comes an affidavit from Private Donald Thorn of the Twentieth Kansas regiment, in which he swears that he saw Captain Bishop of Co. M fire three shots into the bodies of two prisoners, one of whom was wounded, who were lying helpless on the ground in the rear of the American firing line.

When the manufacture of aluminum was first commenced in Pittsburgh, Pa., it sold for \$17 per pound. Its present price is 31 cents per pound.

MINES AND MINING.

Thirteen mines are in operation near Carters, Tuolumne county, which has been reached by the railroad.

It is reported that another cyanide plant is soon to be erected in the Gavilan district, Riverside county, Cal.

The King of Arizona Company made another shipment of \$24,000 worth of bullion last Monday, the result of an 18-days' run.

A placer yielding but 2 cents to the cubic yard is being operated in the valley of Flint creek, about ten miles south of Drummond, Mont.

The Rio Tinto Copper Mining Company of Spain has declared a dividend for the first half of 1899 of 35s per share, or at the rate of 70 per cent per annum.

Considerable gold is being taken out of the pocket mine at Jackass Hill, belonging to Messrs. Frazer, Pratt and Dorsey. The lucky diggers cleaned up \$5000 from one pocket this week.—Tuolumne Independent.

In the Defiance district, a number of locations of the mines have recently been made. The tin is also found in the country north of the district. There has therefore been a large influx of prospectors in that vicinity lately.

The big concentrator being erected by W. A. Clark on the properties of the Ophir Hill Consolidated, in Mojave county, recently purchased by him for \$75,000, will soon be completed. The plant will have a daily capacity of 100 tons, says the Miner.

A mountain of pumice stone has been discovered in southern Utah, from which the product is being shipped to all parts of the United States. Hitherto the major part of the commodity has been imported from a group of islands south of Italy.

W. W. Byrne of Grass Valley is in the city, where he will remain for about ten days. He is here to secure machinery for the Polar Star mine, adjoining the North Star, which he proposes to open up. With judicious management Mr. Byrne believes the mine will develop well.

The Big Dipper Company, now controlled by Seymour Waterhouse, will continue to work the Morning Star, as the channel of the latter mine has run into his ground. The channel is fabulously rich, and the output of his mine at the present time is over \$1000 a day. He employs about forty or fifty men.

Tellurium was discovered by Muller von Reichenstein in 1781. It is now found to occur much more abundantly than was at first supposed. The two most important districts where gold tellurium ores occur in the United States are in the Cripple Creek district, Colo., and the Terry Peak region of the Black Hills, S. D.

The Salt Lake Tribune reports Utah dividends for October as follows: Bullion Beck, \$10,000; Daly-West, \$30,000; Mammoth, \$40,000; Mercer, \$50,000; Petro, \$5000; Sacramento \$5000 Silver King, \$50,000; Swansea, \$5000; total, \$195,000. And this with the Grand Central, Centennial-Eureka, South Swansea and Geyser temporarily side-tracked.

The kaloin deposits on Cajon peak near Lakeside are exciting the interest of many mining men. Within the past fortnight several strangers have carefully inspected the property. The value of the deposit for pottery purposes is unquestioned, and it is probable that Japanese or Chinese manufacturers may take an interest in this valuable mine.

Work on the tailings at the Stonewall mine, Cuyamaca, by the cyanide process, is progressing vigorously. Outsiders believe that Straus & Shin, the owners of the plant, are netting at least \$200 a day, Sundays included. As the work has been going on for a year and will continue for another year, the profits of this enterprise will be considerable.

Earnest and hard work is being done at the Encinitas copper mine, says the Oceanside Blade. A large shaft is now being sunk in the east tunnel and a ledge rich in lead, silver sulphate and oxide of copper and copper glance has been struck. Forty tons of this new ledge are on the dump and the quality guarantees the erection of a smelter at the mine soon.

Captain Farnsworth, superintendent and manager of the Dewey Mining and Milling company, reports a gratifying increase in the sale of treasury stock in order to develop the Admiral Dewey mine in the Grapevine district. Captain Farnsworth returned from a visit to the mine, taking with him parties who contemplate the purchase of a large interest in the property.

The discovery of an eight-foot ledge of very promising looking ore in the tunnel of the Giant King claim in Washington creek is the latest important mining development in Washington district, says the Nevada City Transcript. Drifts are now being run on the formation and there is every indication that the Giant King will in time prove to be one of the great producers of that part of the county.